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## PREST. ZELAYA RESIGNS PRESIDENCY OF NICARAGUA

With the Guns of Revolutionists Threatening And Warships of United States in Port He Had No Other Choice.

Managua Had Been Seething For Several Days and the Spirit of Revolt Had Spread Even to the Palace Gates. Zelaya Sends Message to Congress, in Which He Says a Foreign Nation Has Unjustly Interfered in Affairs of Nicaragua and Publicly Provides Rebels With Arms.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Managua, Dec. 16.—President Zelaya has resigned the presidency of Nicaragua. He apparently had no other course. The people, at last aroused, as the guns of the revolutionists threatened and warships of the United States lay in the Nicaragua port, demanded it.

Managua has been seething for days. The spirit of revolt spread even to the gates of the palace. Zelaya surrounded himself with an armed guard, but the unchecked populace marched through the streets, crying for end of the old, and proclaiming for a new regime.

Who will take up the reins no one knows, but no doubt congress will act quickly on the resignation, as the people demand it. Dr. Jose Madriz, Zelaya's choice for the presidency, will arrive Saturday. Madriz has a strong following, but General Estrada, leader of the revolution, will have none of him. Madriz is also not acceptable to the United States.

Accompanying the resignation, Zelaya sent a message to congress, saying:

"The country is staggering under a shameless revolution, which threatened our nation's sovereignty, and a foreign nation unjustly interferes in our affairs, publicly providing the rebels with arms, which has only resulted in their being defeated everywhere through the heroism of our troops."

Zelaya said he did not want to give the United States a pretext for intervention and hoped his successor would bring about the re-establishment of peace. News of the resignation spread quickly, and soon the crowds moved through the streets shouting for the United States, Estrada and the revolution.

### RAMA NOT TAKEN BY GOVERNMENT.

Telegraphic communication with Rama was re-established to-day. It is officially announced that the city has not been taken by the government troops. The two armies face each other, but no battle has been fought.

This disposes of the rumor, which had been permitted the widest currency for three days, to the effect that an engagement had occurred at Rama, during which the government troops had defeated the insurgents and captured General Estrada, the head of the rebellion. It is believed that there was an ulterior motive behind this false report.

As a sequel to the recent rioting, when the mayor of Managua sought to restrain the police from making wholesale arrests, the mayor himself was arrested yesterday. Subsequently he was released.

Congress met again last night and the session was the occasion of a pro-Zelaya demonstration, that apparently had been made to order. Deputy Manuel Matus delivered "ringo" speech, urging armed resistance in the event that United States marines were landed in Corinto. The suggestion was received with such demonstrative applause as to arouse a strong suspicion that the government had organized an efficient clique, as a body of paid shouters is called here.

### NEWS OF RESIGNATION RECEIVED WITH MUCH SATISFACTION IN WASHINGTON

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Washington, Dec. 16.—News of the resignation of Zelaya was received with evident satisfaction by United States officials. Welcome as it is, however, it is said the resignation by no means removes Zelaya from the attention of this government. No change in the naval program as relates to Nicaragua, will be made.

The United States government will look with disfavor on the installation as president of any of Zelaya's followers.

## Witnesses Endeavor to Prove an Alibi for Alleged Night Riders

By Associated Press.

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 16.—Witnesses to prove an alibi for Arthur Cloar and Garrett Johnson in the night rider case were placed on the stand here today.

Little Cloar, a relative of the defendant, testified that the night of the murder of Rankin he stayed at Arthur Cloar's house all night and slept with him in the family room.

The witness on cross examination became considerably confused because of contradictory statements made at a former trial.

Bob Knight testified he was at Garrett Johnson's home the night of the murder and that the defendant was in bed but got up and gave him some money he owed him.

On cross examination the witness was asked if he had not, while at Camp Nemo, stated that he had been forced to join the night riders and that Garrett Johnson was the captain and gave him a black mask. The witness, in answer, denied making the statement and stated he had never seen Johnson with the night riders, nor had he administered the oath to him.

## Rear Admiral Swift Suddenly Postpones Daughter's Wedding

By Associated Press.

Boston, Dec. 16.—When Harry Deuer Storer, of Atlanta, Ga., who was to wed Miss Madeline Gray Swift, oldest daughter of Rear Admiral Swift, commandant of the Charleston navy yard, telegraphed the admiral from Pittsburgh that he would reach Boston today, he was informed that the wedding had been indefinitely postponed. The sudden postponement of the wedding, which was to take place in

the ball room of the commandant's residence at the navy yard Saturday and which was scheduled as one of the important social events of the season, came as a great surprise to the friends and acquaintances of the couple.

The reason for the postponement as given by Rear Admiral Swift is the illness of his daughter.

Six hundred invitations which were issued have been recalled by Admiral Swift.

## Heroism of Engineer Saves Lives of Hundreds of Passengers

By Associated Press.

Clarkston, Ga., Dec. 16.—The heroism of Engineer Seab Davis, of the Georgia Central "fast mail" who, while hanging to the outside of the cab of his engine, which was running at about 50 miles an hour, stuck his hand through a veritable cauldron of scalding steam, until he found the emergency brake and stopped the train, probably saved the lives of a hundred passengers Tuesday.

Just before the train reached here, a driving rod of the engine broke, knocking the fireman unconscious and almost demolishing the cab. Escaping steam from broken steam pipes poured into the cab and before he could reach the emergency brake, Davis was driven from his seat. Nevertheless, he clung to the outside of the cab until he had grasped the lever and stopped the train, when he fell unconscious from his perilous position.

### GREATER BIRMINGHAM BILL IS DECLARED CONSTITUTIONAL

By Associated Press.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 16.—The supreme court of Alabama today held the Jere King greater Birmingham bill, as revised at the recent special session of the legislature, to be constitutional.

The act provides for annexation of adjoining territory, containing half a dozen small towns.

### LOSS OF THE FIVE-MASTED SCHOONER GOV. AMES

Boston, Dec. 16.—The loss of the five-masted schooner Gov. Ames, wrecked off Cape Hatteras on Monday with the supposed drowning of her captain, his wife and a crew of 12 men, was the latest blow local shipping has received this year.

The Gov. Ames was valued at \$75,000.

## ATTACK IS MADE ON BALLINGER

HITCHCOCK, OF NEBRASKA, HOLDS UP AS A MARTYR DISMISSED FIELD AGENT GLAVIS BECAUSE HE SHOWED TOO MUCH ACTIVITY.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Representative Hitchcock, of Nebraska, speaking on the resolution to investigate the public land situation, attacked Secretary Ballinger for his conduct in the Cunningham coal land cases, and held up as a martyr R. L. Glavis, who was dismissed as field agent of the land office "because he had shown too much zeal in protecting the government against frauds."

He said he pitied the "helpless subordinate who is forced to choose between holding a position in silence and endangering it by an open protest against frauds." He was greeted by Democratic applause.

The remainder of the session of the house was devoted almost entirely to consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill.

The senate, after a brief session, adjourned until Monday. It adopted a resolution by Senator Cullom calling on the secretary of the interior for information respecting disasters.

## LOEB WANTS A CONFERENCE

NEW YORK COLLECTOR LEAVES FOR WASHINGTON TO TALK OVER SUGAR FRAUD SITUATION WITH TAFT AND MACVEAGH.

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 16.—Collector Loeb left this afternoon for Washington, presumably to confer with Taft and Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh concerning the ever-increasing sugar scandals with the Arbutus and National Sugar Refining company.

New avenues of investigation have been opened, paying the way for future criminal procedure. Following yesterday's payment of nearly seven hundred thousand dollars by the Arbutus company, it was announced today that the National company owes a like amount in uncollected duties.

The National company will make payment as soon as the government investigators announce the full amount with proof.

Arguments have not been concluded in the trial of six former employees of the American Sugar Refining company, charged with underweighing frauds.

## OCEYSNEAD MURDER MYSTERY DEEPENS PUBLIC WORKS BOARD PREPARES FOR NEW PAVING

Three Sisters Who Held Her Life in Their Hands Are in Jail.

FOLLOWING THE ARREST OF THE MOTHER, MRS. MARTIN, THE LATTER'S TWO SISTERS, MRS. MARY SNEAD AND MRS. VIRGINIA WARDLAW, ARE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY—MORE THAN A HUNDRED "SUICIDE LETTERS" AND A WILL PURPORTING TO BE THAT OF THE VICTIM FOUND.

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 16.—The three sisters who held the life of Ocey Snead in their hands tonight occur separate cells, charged by the authorities of East Orange with murder. The rumor that Fletcher Snead Hillsland had been found hiding at St. Catherine's, Ontario, is denied by the St. Catherine's police.

Shortly after the arraignment to-day of Mrs. Caroline W. Martin, Ocey Snead's mother, who was arrested last night in an uptown hotel, there followed the third arrest in the case, Mrs. Mary Snead, the aunt and mother-in-law of Ocey Snead, being taken into custody.

The three notes found among Mrs. Martin's effects are all similar in handwriting and wording to the suicide note found pinned to Ocey Snead's clothes and are deemed sufficient evidence against Mrs. Martin. The point made against Mrs. Snead is that she was a party, with Miss Virginia Wardlaw, to the renting of the unfurnished house in which Ocey Snead was found dead.

In the room of Mrs. Martin at the hotel the police found more than a hundred "suicide letters," purporting to have been written by Ocey. All sounded the same pathetic note of despair. The batch includes a will purporting to have been made by the death bed victim, directing her property be turned over to her grandmother.

## Loose's Affidavit That He Prepared Cook's Data a Fake

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 16.—The affidavit of Capt. August W. Loose, to the effect that he prepared Dr. Cook's data, which was forwarded to Copenhagen, is a fake, according to B. S. Osborn, secretary of the Arctic Club, who announced publicly to-night that Captain Loose had verbally confessed to him and others that he had faked the recent affidavit, that he had prepared the data for Dr. Cook.

"In presence of witnesses," said Captain Osborn, "I heard Loose say: 'I was out for the money and didn't care how I got it.'"

Osborn says Dunkle, who also made a similar affidavit, got most of the money obtained from a New York newspaper for the affidavits, and that Loose's conscience now hurts him. Neither Loose nor Dunkle could be found to-night.

## TWELVE DEAD AS RESULT WRECK

DEATH OF HENRY L. STRIBBLING, A TRAVELING SALESMAN, MADE THE TWELFTH VICTIM—DEFECTIVE RAIL CAUSE OF WRECK.

By Associated Press.

Greensboro, Dec. 16.—The death of Henry L. Stribbling, a traveling salesman of Decatur, Ga., this morning, made the twelfth victim of yesterday's wreck at the Reedy Fork trestle.

All of the injured, except F. Smith, a trainman, are doing well. No more bodies were found in the wreckage. The coroner's jury decided the wreck was caused by the breaking of a defective rail immediately over a defective cross-tie.

## \$250.00 FOR A PAIR CORSETS

MRS. BROKAW HAD EXPENSIVE TASTES, ACCORDING TO ATTORNEYS OF DEFENDANT—\$175 FOR CANDY AT ONE TIME.

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 16.—How to be unhappy on thirty thousand a year was the burden of testimony today in the Brokaw separation hearing. Mrs. Brokaw testified for the seventh consecutive day. She was followed by her brother, J. Bullard Blair, whose testimony tended to show that Brokaw had treated the plaintiff cruelly, and that she was justified in asking for a separation and sixty thousand a year alimony.

Figures introduced by Brokaw's lawyers showed that Mrs. Brokaw spent two hundred and fifty dollars for a pair of corsets and at one time spent one hundred and seventy-five dollars for candy.

## KING LEOPOLD PASSES AWAY

AGED RULER OF BELGIUM DIES THIS MORNING, AFTER A LONG ILLNESS—THE CROWN PASSES TO PRINCE ALBERT.

By Associated Press.

Brussels, Dec. 17.—King Leopold died at 2:35 this morning. Leopold II. was born in Brussels April 9, 1837, succeeding to the throne on the death of his father in 1865.

There being no direct hereditary heir, the crown passed to Prince Albert, the only son of Leopold's brother, the late Philippe, Count of Flanders. Prince Albert is one of the most popular members of the reigning house of Belgium.

Always conspicuous before the public on account of the nature of his private life, King Leopold has lately had much of the world against him on account of his attitude toward Congo Independent State.

### MEDICINE PEDDLER RUN DOWN AND KILLED IN ATLANTA

By Associated Press.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 16.—J. S. Profit, 57 years old, whose home is believed to be at Floyd's court house, Va., was run down and instantly killed by a Southern Railway freight train late yesterday on a trestle near Connelly, Ga. The body was brought to Atlanta, where it was identified today.

Profit, it is said, had been an itinerant medicine peddler for a number of years, taking up the business in search of health. He formerly was employed in the postoffice at Baltimore, Md.

## Transport Prairie With Seven Hundred Marines Off for Colon

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Dec. 16.—The transport prairie, with 700 marines and 500,000 rounds of ammunition on board, today made a second start for Colon. On Dec. 2 the prairie, with a cargo, started for the same port, but when forty miles down the river stuck in the mud and remained there nearly ten days.

Orders were received in this city yesterday directing the prairie to proceed to Colon, but it is believed Captain Kellogg did not wish to tackle

Bids Will Be Asked Through Medium of Advertising For New Section City.

TARRAGONA AND PALAFOX TO BE IMPROVED AS ORDINANCE PRESCRIBED—MAYOR DIRECTS THE BOARD TO RETRENCH, AND BOARD FINDS ITSELF IN QUITE A PREDICAMENT, AS FINANCES ARE LOW—REQUESTS FOR WORK IN ALL SECTIONS.

Bids for the paving of Palafox and Tarragona streets, as provided for in a lately-passed ordinance, were ordered by advertisement last night by the board of works in regular meeting. Tarragona street southward from Gregory to Zarragossa, and Palafox street from Main to Garden streets. This is the ordinance which was passed on Dec. 9 and approved by the mayor the following day. Advertisements will be inserted shortly in Pensacola newspapers and in any other newspapers or publications as the board may see fit. The bids are in hand and immediately upon the acceptance of a bid the work may be started.

MANY REQUESTS FOR WORK. With people clamoring for street work all over the city, the city engineer recommending rather costly efforts at improvement, and the mayor writing the board that expenses must be cut down at once, as the board is spending money about twice as fast as it should in the matter of street work, the board of works last night found itself in quite a predicament. The board was called to order by Chairman Jennings at 6 o'clock, and those present were Dr. Blocker and Messrs. Fisher and Schad.

The first matter up for consideration was a request for a remodeling of conditions suffered on Wright street by J. N. Andrews, who informed the board that the overflow from his residence property, flowing southward on Davis street and threatening to undermine and badly damage the property. Relief was at once decided upon, the street superintendent to follow recommendations from the city engineer in the way of taking care of the water from the house.

Mr. Rowland, residing on West Garden street, did not trust his complaint to ink and pen, but appeared personally before the board. He was promised relief when funds were available.

FROM THE MAYOR. A letter from the mayor was then read. This informed the board that the appropriations which had been granted to the board are being expended in fact that the board is now spending on an average of \$8,426 per month, when the expenditures, in order to carry the work through the year, should not be more than \$4,678. The mayor then informed the board that the sum of \$2,748 too much was being spent, and at that rate all the money would be gone in about six months. The letter was received and filed, and the recommendations will be followed strictly, as far as circumstances will permit. Curtailment will be stated from today, when all extra workmen are laid off.

FROM THE ENGINEER. City Engineer L. E. Thornton recommended a grade at Spring and Gadsden streets, the grade to go as far as Barcelona street. The board was informed that the electric car company would construct its line to conform to the grade at any time, and the clerk was instructed to write the electric company and give notice that the grade will be established in a short time.

The engineer reported that sidewalks at the northwest corner of Palafox and Belmont streets were some distance below the street level and suggested that they be constructed on the grade to conform with pavement there. The engineer requested the engineer's attention to the condition, and

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## THE NEW SUPREME COURT JUSTICE; HIS FAMILY AND HOME IN NASHVILLE



Washington, Dec. 16.—The appointment of Judge Horace H. Lorton to the vacancy in the United States supreme court occasioned by the death of Justice Peckham occasioned no surprise in judicial circles here. He has been a personal friend of President

Taft for the last twenty years. They were judicial associates in the United States court of appeals—in fact, Judge Taft administered the oath of office to Judge Lorton when the latter was appointed in 1892 by Grover Cleveland. President Taft has always ad-

mired Judge Lorton personally and has the highest regard for his ability as a jurist. When he was secretary of war Mr. Taft recommended Judge Lorton for the United States supreme court, but President Roosevelt appointed Justice Moody. Horace H. Lorton was born in Newport, Ky., in 1844 and was graduated from Cumberland university in 1867. From 1886 to 1893 he was chief justice of the supreme court of Tennessee. He is sixty-two years of age. Judge Lorton has a son, H. H. Lorton, Jr., and a daughter, Mrs. Van Deventer.

Pea Patch Island again at night and therefore delayed the departure of his vessel until this morning.

Aboard the prairie as early as 5 a. m. all was bustle, the men apparently anxious to get away from the navy yard. A few minutes after 7 o'clock orders were given to cast off and in less than half an hour the prairie was steaming down the Delaware. A rear admiral's salute, in honor of Rear Admiral Harris, commandant of the navy yard, was fired as the prairie sailed away.